

(No. 4757.)

"KARAWERRA" (S.S.)

AND

"HALLY BAYLEY."

REPORT and Decision of the Local Marine Board of Newcastle, N.S.W., in the matter of collision between the S.S. "KARAWERRA" and schooner "HALLY BAYLEY," which took place in this Harbour on the morning of the 16th May last.

An inquiry was held before the Local Marine Board into the circumstances attending the collision between the above-named vessels, and they ascertained that the "Karawerra" was an iron screw steamer, of 1,021 tons, registered in Adelaide, and owned by Messrs. Harrold and Simpson, of Adelaide, official No. 85,987. The steamer was coming in from Sydney.

The "Hally Bayley" is a wooden schooner, of 113 tons, of Sydney, owned by F. G. Kelly. She was loaded and going down the north side of the harbour with a free wind, and collided with the steamer on the north side of the fairway.

The Board find that the collision was brought about by the wrongful act of the master of the "Hally Bayley," Jacob Billick, in having carelessly navigated his vessel and committing a breach of the 120th section of the Navigation Act, by not keeping on that side of the fairway or mid-channel thereof which lies on his starboard hand.

Taking into consideration his previous record, the Board is of opinion that a reprimand and caution to the said Jacob Billick to be more careful in future will meet with the merits of the case.

Jacob Billick was reprimanded accordingly.

(Signed) W. F. WEATHERILL,
Secretary.

Newcastle, 14th June 1893.